

THE ROYAL YACHT SQUADRON

DINNER TO LORD BRASSEY.

The Right Hon. Lord Brassey, K.C.B., was entertained at dinner by the members of the Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron at the Sydney Club on Monday evening, August 12, 1890. Lord Brassey, who was accompanied by Fairfax, Commodore of the Squadron, and Lord de Minto on his right as the noble lord who was the principal guest of the evening, and on his left the veteran yachtsman Mr. Ernest Hart, were filled by Mr. J. A. Milson, vice-commander, and Major Gascoigne. Company included the Hon. Thomas Brassey, Captain Hinton, Mr. J. H. W. Hume, Mr. J. W. Messers, J. H. W. Hunt, Septimus, Mr. J. H. Tooth, R. Hunt, E. W. Knox, E. J. B. Macarthur, O. Fairfax, B. E. Laidley, G. R. Fairfax, T. Milford, J. H. B. Milner, J. H. B. Milner, J. H. B. Milner, B. Binnie, W. Cope, L. Beeson, B. C. Bear, H. S. Tucker, R. C. Remington, T. W. B. Love, W. B. Minto, J. B. Love, H. S. Tucker, R. C. Remington, T. W. B. Love, O. Williams, G. B. Wank, J. R. Carey, A. Fairfax, E. Duthie, and F. J. Jackson. The room was tastefully decorated with flags and maritime trophies, and the tables were artistically and elegantly laid.

The dinner, which reflected the greatest credit upon the caterer, having been ended,

The CHAIRMAN proposed the usual loyal toasts, and mentioned the health of his Excellency the Governor, remarking that this was the first time they had had the opportunity of drinking Lord Carrington's health at their own table.

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coony, had allowed Lord Brassey to leave their ship without a welcome, and an acknowledgment of great assistance he had given to that noblest and greatest of our countrymen, the Duke of Devonshire, who had tonight to tell him they were not forgetful of that assistance to a sport with which his name would be inseparably linked, his mark as indelibly left, and which he had supposed to lend assistance by way of patronage; but those who held these high positions showed that their hearts were in the work as well as the names, it was doubly true that the Duke of Devonshire was a sportsman (Mr. Hunt) had always in a humble way endeavored to emulate, and that all of them might well imitate, of his noble profession, and that they would all be glad to venture over the heads of the owners. (Hear, hear.) All knew of the services their guest had rendered in the shape and form in the old country: but he would venture to say that he was sure he could give assistance that the encouragement of yachting was not the best of them. It was the best of all mainly sports training men to be courageous yet thoughtful, to be bold but first to think, and to be able to give. He would return to him and believe that when their

set forth again on his ocean pilgrimage, in which they may enjoy very success, although he may wish his adventures to stop at the Sydney Yacht Squadron. He was very heart-fel welcome he received from the Royal Y. S. Walemen. (Cheers.)

Lord BRABBY, in responding, thanked the company for the very kind welcome they had been pleased to give, and for the kind but too generous and complimentary things which had been said by the gentleman who proposed the toast—(hear, hear)—who, he thought, had been somewhat over-enthusiastic. He had been told many times since his arrival here that he ought to have come in the summer time—that it was no coming in winter. But if he had come in the summer time he would have been welcomed by the wind, and with his thousand pennants floating in the moor, and he would have seen what the harbour of Sydney was at its best, and then only would he have been welcomed by the wind, and the Sydney Yacht Squadron. (Hear, hear.) Well, if it were true that he had been here at a time that was most unfavourable to give a successful arrival, he would have been very glad to have been overwhelmed with the hospitable reception he would have had in the more favourable season.

himself, he could not believe that he could have come better prepared. He had expected that he would have been able to have exceeded that which he now so much enjoyed. He felt that he was as great and they as hosts on this occasion were bound together by many ties. (Cheers.) First of all, he felt that the three of them were bound together by ties. They were also yachtmans. (Renewed cheers.) The love of the sea and their love of sailing was the same, and it created the same strong tie between them. He felt that he was bound to them, and he felt from his youth, he felt sure that all the gentlemen sitting round the table the same thing whether the vessel they had the pride of owning or the pleasure of sailing in. He felt that he was bound to them. He felt that he was bound to them. He could speak confidently on this subject, for he began with eight tons, and was promoted his eight-tonner. He then had the privilege of being advanced to a forty-tonner, and then to a fifty-tonner. He felt that some rather uncomfortable cruises. From he went to a 50-tonner, in which he had the pleasure of serving three commissions, and with which he won the cup for the first time. He felt that he was bound to them. From that he was promoted to a vessel of 118 tons, and very satisfactory little vessel he found it, but out of this must give them a leaf of his experience. It was in that vessel

married life, made cruises in the Mediterranean. She carried little cruiser, admirably set up, and built of iron. When they came to deal with, from the result was long and hard work, but she was so well fitted for her purpose as to favourably fast sailing. He remembered having been located 14 nights running off the coast of Sicily. The stage he made was from Cadix to Genoa, a distance of 600 miles. They were at sea 14 days. Laughaugh said after he was obliged to accept it that if long voyages were to be undertaken by one who was no longer a bachelor, such a concession must be made, and accordingly he had the auxiliary screw yacht of about 186 tons, with least possible amount of steam power. He believed the steam in his auxiliary vessel was the best ever made, and was way off in it. In that vessel his wife and he spent seven years with their increasing family lived happily there. At last the increasing number of those whom he wished to provide for, led him to purchase another two or two triads in other classes of vessels he finally found himself the proud owner of the Sunbeam. (Cheers.) The Sunbeam was not everybody's vessel, and he thought it would be better to give it a name which would suggest to them he might say that she was a vessel which was

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should be able to take over his own vessel," his cousin remarked. "I am not a sailor, but I have been stirred up by a noble object, which would stink down the level of a mere passenger on board his vessel. If they took long voyages, such as his kindred, I would like to see them." The young man, a yacht-owner was in his proper place in taking part in navigation. The fact of the owner obtaining such a vessel did not bring about unfair competition with the professional sailor, for the latter had the necessary knowledge. To a student man all that was required to spend a little time in obtaining nautical knowledge and experience to enable him to get a vessel of his own. The young man, however, had visited to a large extent all the shores of the globe, and he had therefore more opportunities than most men—that most professional men even—of acquiring a knowledge of the world. In the course of experience he gained an great aptitude as it was possible to attain deciphering coast ranges from the charts; but he believed that any man, by giving up his education and devoting himself to the study of nautical knowledge as would enable him to navigate his vessel. He could only say that it had afforded him much pleasure to come to Sydney, and that he

viewed with a beautiful harbour. (Cheers and laughter.) He thanked them on behalf of himself and Lady Brassey for the manner in which they had been received in the colony. (Cheers.)

LORD BRASSEY, after intimating that he and Lady Brassey would be "at home" on board the Gunboat on Saturday afternoon, and that he would be glad to receive the gentlemen present and their lady friends on the vessel, proposed the health of the commodore of the squadron, a gentleman who, in addition to other and more serious pursuits which he carried on greedily to the advantage of the community—(hear, hear)—had a turn for the sea and was a great lover for yachting. (Cheers.) As such the squadron had done themselves credit by voting him to the post of captain of senior flag officer. (Cheers.)

The CHAIRMAN, in responding, said that amongst a

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mounts to many hundred thousand per annum. The effect of this is, of course, to enable debtors more quickly to pay off their obligations; and the resources of the colony are so great that if there were no more borrowing we should speedily free ourselves from debt. What should be specially remembered at the present time is that the depression is largely caused by the weight of debt. Our squatters and our storekeepers have been heavily burdened, and some of them have failed. What is now embarrassing them is pecuniary obligation. It is alleged that the banks have been unduly pressing claims in some quarters in a manner hardly compatible with the brighter prospects. They are stronger in coin than they have

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is anticipated that the conditions seem so warrant. Although there undoubtedly was an increase of £400,000 in the revenue of the year, it is hardly correct to assume that this is due to more prosperous conditions. As a matter of fact, the portion of the increase received from taxation was entirely due to the ad valorem, additional specific, and higher stamp duties, whilst the increase in the lands arose from the collection of rentals, a portion of which had not been obtained in the previous year. The figures really show a year of depression, for the railway income was nearly £100,000 short, and the Customs revenues from the old duties were barely equal to those of the previous year, regard being had to the increase of population. The people did not contribute so much to the revenue, and they did not use the railways so freely, the two best indicators of public prosperity.

Still, it cannot be denied that the prospects are more encouraging than they have been. The bulk of the wealth of the colony arises from our pastoral industries. Never before was the outlook brighter. There has been a large lambing, the country is being well stocked, and for months to come abundance of food is assured. The next wool-clip is expected to be the best ever obtained. It is significant that, despite the depression, graziers bought pedigree sheep more freely than usual at the late annual sales. Those most interested evidently take a hopeful view of the prospects of their industry. The higher prices in Europe will, if maintained, materially help in the restoration of prosperity. The season, also, favours the agricultural industry. At present the outlook could hardly be more cheering for any of the principal crops. It is true the colony is not largely cultivated, but to the extent that it is cultivated, increased production will tell on the general prosperity. Our chief mining product is in increasing demand in the markets of the world, and new coal properties are being developed south, west, and north. Our miners are benefitted by the high prices prevailing in Europe. If some little improvement in copper may be taken as an indication of a further rise, there may be hope of profitable working of our valuable copper reefs; but, in competition with richer or more cheaply worked mines in Europe and America, they are so handicapped by distance and otherwise that it seems to us that we must look upon these properties as sources for future rather than present development.

Whilst the chief industries of the colony are prospering, cheaper money is becoming available. Our industries are largely developed by borrowed capital, and if producers can get money at 5 instead of 6 per cent, their own proportion of the wealth created by them is enlarged. Where they borrow from abroad the result is a clear gain to the colony, and as the private debt to the other-country is considerable, the annual saving by a reduction of even 1 per cent amounts to many hundred thousand per annum. The effect of this is, of course, to enable debtors more quickly to pay off their obligations; and the resources of the colony are so great that if there were no more borrowing we should speedily free ourselves from debt. What should be specially remembered at the present time is that the depression is largely caused by the weight of debt. Our squatters and our storekeepers have been heavily burdened, and some of them have failed. What is now embarrassing them is pecuniary obligation. It is alleged that the banks have been unduly pressing claims in some quarters in a manner hardly compatible with the brighter prospects. They are stronger in coin than they have

years. This evening the bones were examined by Mr. Brady, who, after a careful comparison, declared them to be those of a human being. The affair is most mysterious. The matter will be reported to the coroner to-morrow. The

LATEST INTELLIGENCE.

(BY ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH.)
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.)

GRAND NAVAL REVIEW AT PORTSMOUTH.

LONDON, July 13. A great naval review of British ships is to be held, in which the following vessels will take part:—34 ironclads and cruisers, 75 gunboats and torpedo craft, six training frigates, and 13 troopships. The vessels will form two lines opposite the Isle of Wight and Portsmouth.

FRANCE AT THE MELBOURNE EXHIBITION.

LONDON, July 13. The French authorities hesitate to appoint a commission to secure their proper representation at the Melbourne Centennial Exhibition on the ground of economy; but they promise to afford every indirect assistance in their power.

THE REVOLUTION AT HONOLULU.

LONDON, July 13. In consequence of the very unsettled state of affairs in the Hawaiian Islands, the American Pacific Squadron has been ordered to Honolulu.

THE BRENNAN TORPEDO.

LONDON, July 12. A special series of experiments was made to-day with the Brennan torpedo, at Sheerness, in the presence of Sir James Lorrimer and Captain Thomas, Commandant of the Victorian Naval Force.

WITHDRAWAL OF A LAND AND MORTGAGE COMPANY.

LONDON, July 12. The Australian Town and Country Land and Mortgage Agency Company, which was placed on the London market with a capital of £1,000,000, has been withdrawn.

COLLEGIATE APPOINTMENT.

LONDON, July 12. Mr. Hudson Beare, of Adelaide, has been elected Professor of Mechanics at the Heriot-Watt College, Edinburgh.

PRODUCE AGENCY BUSINESS OF TATE BROTHERS, SYDNEY.

LONDON, July 13. Twenty-five thousand shares in the produce agency business of Tate Brothers, Sydney, have been offered on the London market.

SYDNEY ORANGES IN LONDON.

LONDON, July 13. The shipment of oranges from Sydney by the Orient steamer Lusitania has realised at the rate of 8s. 3d. to 10s. for boxes, and 2s. 9d. to 3s. 3d. for half boxes.

RESIGNATION OF M. FLOQUET.

PARIS, July 12. M. Floquet, President of the Chamber of Deputies, has forwarded his resignation to the President, in consequence of the disorderly scene which took place in the Chamber of Deputies when the members of the Left made a violent attack on the Government for its alleged Royalist tendencies. The Chamber of Deputies has refused its assent to the resignation of M. Floquet.

THE QUEEN THE GUEST OF LORD SALISBURY.

LONDON, July 13. Her Majesty the Queen will attend a garden party to-day at Hatfield House, the seat of the Marquis of Salisbury.

NEW ZEALAND FROZEN MEAT TRADE.

LONDON, July 13. The New Zealand Shipping Company's s.s. Aorangi, from Lyttelton June 2nd, arrived at Plymouth on Wednesday morning. Her cargo of 16,000 carcasses is in good condition.

THE GOVERNORSHIP OF MAURITIUS.

LONDON, July 13. Sir John Pope Hennessy, who was recently suspended by Sir Hercules Robinson from the Governorship of Mauritius, has been reinstated in his position. Mr. Clifford Lloyd, the Lieutenant-Governor, will be removed from Mauritius, and will receive an appointment elsewhere.

THE MAILS.

ADEN, July 13. The Messageries steamer Caledonia, from Melbourne June 16, passed here to-day.

AUSTRALIAN PARLIAMENTS.

(BY TELEGRAPH.)
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.)

VICTORIA.

MELBOURNE, Thursday. In the Assembly this afternoon the Minister of Railways, in reply to Mr. Gannon, said that the Railway Commissioners had no intention of discontinuing the express trains on the suburban line. In putting the question, Mr. Gannon said the practice had been such as to cause the murder of those who were killed in the Windsor railway accident. The Minister denied that boys were employed at salaries on the railways, except as apprentices. On the motion of Mr. Pearce, a return was ordered as to the number of fines inflicted, and the total amount, and the number of dismissals from the Locomotive Branch of the Railway Department, from March 1 to June 30, 1887, and also a like return for the corresponding months of last year. Mr. Gannon gave notice of motion that in the opinion of the House a poll tax of £50 be imposed on all Chinese entering Victoria. The debate on the Imperial Conference was continued by Mr. Andrews. The Postmaster-General replied to several points raised during the debate by the Opposition. He explained that the arrangement made for the carriage of letters through France and Italy had resulted in a considerable reduction of the postage rates. The delay in accepting the mail tenders also caused a large saving to the colony. He acknowledged the friendly manner in which the representatives of the other colonies had come to a settlement at last year's conference on postal matters. Mr. Gannon rescinded the late Government of having obtained an unfilled resignation of the Agent-General from Mr. Murray Smith, on the understanding that he was to set off the close of the Colonial and Indian Exhibition, and then accompanied him with the late Chief Secretary. He spoke bitterly of Mr. Deakin's conduct in England, and criticised the praise bestowed by Ministers on the Governor at breakfast. He spoke strongly against federation and the establishment of a navy. The motion was then carried.

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INTERCOLONIAL NEWS.

(BY TELEGRAPH.)
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VICTORIA.

MELBOURNE, Thursday. During his stay in Melbourne Lord Carrington, who is expected to arrive to-morrow morning, will be the guest of the Governor and Lady Loch. Their Excellencies will most probably be present at the Winter Steeplechase meeting at Flemington on Saturday. On Tuesday next they proceed to Deniliquin for the purpose of attending the agricultural show, and will return to Melbourne on Friday, when Lord Carrington leaves for Adelaide.

No intimation having been received that New Zealand will be represented at the Centennial Exhibition, the Commissioners have requested the Government to communicate with the New Zealand Government on the subject.

Complaints having been made as to the insanitary arrangements of numerous factories and workshops in the colony, more especially in Melbourne and suburbs, the employers have been officially informed that the sanitary requirements of the Factories Act will be strictly enforced.

Andrew Kerr, town surveyor of Warrnambool, was found dead in his chair in the council-chambers this morning. From a letter left by him on his desk addressed to his wife, there is little doubt that the deceased committed suicide by drinking strychnine, which he obtained from a chemist the previous afternoon. Deceased had for a long time suffered from ill-health, and in the letter he stated that this was the real cause of his desiring to quit the world. He was 60 years of age, and was reputed to be wealthy.

Bridge McPhan, charged with the murder of her sister at North Warragamba, was brought up this morning at Bechworth, and remanded till Thursday next.

The balance-sheet of the Commercial Bank shows a good business for the past half-year. The directors recommended that the dividend be increased from 12½ to 14 per cent.

At the meeting of the Victorian Commission of the Centennial Exhibition an anonymous opinion was expressed that the sale of goods at the exhibition should be permitted only on condition that the goods sold should not be delivered until the close of the exhibition excepting in cases in which they had been manufactured in the building.

Reports from Kuluha state that the Murray continues to rise, owing to the flood waters of the Upper Murray. All the flats and low-lying places are submerged. No serious results are apprehended. The Goulburn and Campaspe Rivers are both in flood.

QUEENSLAND.

BRISBANE, Thursday. Mr. Miles, Minister for Works, was too ill to come to Brisbane to-day. The Premier was also taken ill yesterday, and was unable to attend to-day.

Heavy rain fell last night, and it has been pretty general throughout the colony. It was heaviest in the Southern portion. Nearly 14 inches were registered at Southport, and the flood in Nerang Creek is worse than it was in January last. The Albert river is rising rapidly. Over three inches of rain fell in Brisbane, and there is every appearance of more.

The Government hydraulic engineer has received a telegram from Anghelita stating that a further supply of fresh water has been struck in the bore at a depth of 268 feet, in freestone, under a bed of black clay.

Mr. Arthur Morgan (Ministerialist), and Mr. Wm. Allen (Oppositionist) have been nominated for the Warwick election.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

ADELAIDE, Thursday. The Mayor and a large number of members of Parliament, including the Minister, have favored to-day to the Government Resident in the Northern Territory.

Mr. Parsons left by express for Sydney, whence he will proceed by steamer to Port Darwin.

Mr. H. Beare, of Adelaide, who has been elected Professor of Mechanics at the Heriot-Watt College, Edinburgh, was educated at Prince Alfred College. He passed the University, and won a scholarship, and went to London, where he took his M.A. degree.

TASMANIA.

HOBART, Thursday. Mr. Justice Gidde was sworn in this morning. It is reported that he will be the next day.

The Ministry have promised to bring in a bill to deal with the influx of Chinamen with which the colony is threatened.

The financial statement will be made on Wednesday next, to which day the Assembly stands adjourned.

Two candidates are now mentioned for Macquarie, to fill the seat vacated by Dr. Agnew.

The prospects of the Government are considered to be very dubious owing to their taxation proposals.

The National Prospecting Company's shares are in demand, owing to the very favourable report of the prospectors who recently returned from the west coast.

NEW ZEALAND.

AUCKLAND, Thursday. The outbreak of disease among cattle in the Waikato district has been proved to be due to the animals eating ergot. Six animals have been destroyed. The disease is confined to one paddock. The disease is not believed to be contagious.

ARCHBISHOP CARR ON THE EDUCATION QUESTION.

(BY TELEGRAPH.)
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.)

MELBOURNE, Thursday. Archbishop Carr, in replying to an address presented by the pupils of St. George's School, Carlton, said it was an injustice and an insult to the Roman Catholic parents and Catholic children that the latter should be denied the right to compete for exhibitions given to State school children. He also condemned the secular system of education carried out in the State schools of a colony, and expressed his approval of the formation of a cadet corps in the schools, and of the study of Irish history in Catholic schools.

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COUNTRY NEWS.

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ALBURY, Thursday.

The Albany Land Office receipts for the quarter ending 30th June amounted to £6074. The principal item was £6008, for interest and instalments on conditional purchases.

BALLINA, Thursday.

Heavy rain continues, and the upper river is rising. There is a slight fresh from here, and navigation is difficult at the entrance to the river.

BATHURST, Thursday.

William Ritchie, who was injured by the accident at Wallerawang station yesterday, and who was admitted to the hospital here last night, had his right leg amputated at the middle of the thigh. He passed a bad night, but was better this morning.

BOURKE, Thursday.

At a meeting of the town council, last night, a communication was received from Kallara station, asking if Bourke would provide horses and vehicles for the conveyance of the Ministers of Mines and Justice from Kallara to Bourke early in next month, the Willemanna Council conveying them as far as Kallara. Several aldermen stated that they would not allow any municipal funds to be used for the purpose. It was decided to call a meeting of the ratepayers for next Wednesday to consider the subject.

Light, drizzling rain fell the greater part of yesterday. The streets are in an execrable condition, with mud, though the town council has several thousand yards of gravel stacked, waiting use.

BURRANGANG, Thursday.

The Orange demonstration passed off successfully last night. A large number sat down to dinner. Speeches were delivered by the Rev. David Smith, and Mr. John Fraser.

A branch of the Commercial Banking Company of Sydney has been opened at Robertson, and promises to be a boon to the inhabitants.

A petition praying for increased police protection for Burrangang is being extensively signed.

CASSILINA, Thursday.

At the local land office to-day, applications were lodged for 440 acres as conditional purchases, and 800 acres as conditional leases.

The land board will sit at Murrumbidgee on the 28th and 29th July, and have from the list to 4th August. There are a number of cases to be dealt with at both places for this land district.

COOTAMUNDRA, Thursday.

There is a good deal of investment in landed property in this district. Crown lots sold here realized fairly good prices.

The borough council is raising a loan of £1000 by public tender.

Further special prizes have been received for the spring show to be held on the last September. There was a large muster of the committee last night. There will be a first-class show of stock, farm exhibits, and machinery. Ploughing matches and matches in grubbing will also be held.

DRAKE, Thursday.

It has been raining here incessantly since Tuesday.

DUBBO, Thursday.

The erection of the new courthouse at a standstill, awaiting the arrival of material from England.

The land board returned from Nyngan yesterday, and left this morning for Gulgong, where they hold a court to-morrow, and go on to Coonamble to hold a court there on Monday.

The weather was clear again this morning; 10 points of rain fell last night. It is now bright, calm, and fine.

INVERELL, Thursday.

Mr. Graham, police magistrate of Tenterden, arrived here and proceeded to Tunga to-day, under instructions from the Minister of Justice, to hold an inquiry with reference to a case, lately tried and dismissed, against ex-Constable Preston, of the metropolitan force, who was charged with abduction. Superintendent Ordridge, who was present to watch proceedings on behalf of the local police officer, is charged with using undue influence in the case.

KEMPSEY, Thursday.

The annual meeting of the Macleay Agricultural Association was held in the Jubilee Hall to-day. The attendance was large. In consequence of the rain, Mr. O. O. Danger was elected President, Messrs. Robert Campbell, P. C. Hill, J. P. and W. D. Scott, J. P., vice-presidents. The meeting was adjourned for three weeks to receive the financial statement and to alter the by-laws.

KIAMA, Thursday.

A few points of rain fell last night, but this morning dawned clear and bright, and the weather to-day was beautiful. Travelling has not been so disagreeable in this district for years past, owing to the soft condition of the roads.

The Kiama Agricultural Association has received from the Director of the Botanic Gardens 300 ornamental trees for planting the new show ground, and a committee has been appointed for that purpose. The work of planting the trees will be commenced at once, the time being most favourable for the purpose.

NEW ZEALAND.

Mr. Samuel Charles, M.L.C., was in town to-day awaiting to-morrow's arbitration proceedings. Mr. Charles asks £2500 for the land resumed, but the Government valuation is under £1700.

LISMORE, Thursday.

The Colonial Sugar Company, Broadwater, have engaged 400 hands, this number being all that are required. There were about 250 men over the number required.

Outdoor work has been stopped by the continued rain. The weather is so bad that it is impossible to cut the cane until the weather has taken up. The Broadwater mill will work day and night when it does commence. The cane crops on the Tweed River are said to average 70 tons to the acre, and show good density. The sugar yield is also satisfactory.

MUSWELLBROOK, Thursday.

Mr. John Hudson Key, of Bengalla, one of the oldest residents of the Hunter, died this afternoon.

NEWCASTLE, Thursday.

The shipping changes from Newcastle to Melbourne, with a cargo of new season's wool, put in for coal this morning. A large number of boats were engaged, and the cargo was shipped in a few hours.

There was a seizure of 6 boxes of tobacco, 4000 cigars, and 14th. opium. There were no claimants for the goods, which were confiscated. The vessel left at 4.30 p.m.

NYNGAN, Thursday.

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AMUSEMENTS.

(BY TELEGRAPH.)
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.)

THE ZERBINI QUARTETTE.

The third concert of the Zerbinetti Quartette Company was given last evening at the Theatre Royal. It was a very successful one, and the audience was very large. The programme was well chosen, and the performers were of high quality.

Heavy rain continues, and the upper river is rising. There is a slight fresh from here, and navigation is difficult at the entrance to the river.

BATHURST, Thursday.

William Ritchie, who was injured by the accident at Wallerawang station yesterday, and who was admitted to the hospital here last night, had his right leg amputated at the middle of the thigh. He passed a bad night, but was better this morning.

BOURKE, Thursday.

At a meeting of the town council, last night, a communication was received from Kallara station, asking if Bourke would provide horses and vehicles for the conveyance of the Ministers of Mines and Justice from Kallara to Bourke early in next month, the Willemanna Council conveying them as far as Kallara. Several aldermen stated that they would not allow any municipal funds to be used for the purpose. It was decided to call a meeting of the ratepayers for next Wednesday to consider the subject.

Light, drizzling rain fell the greater part of yesterday. The streets are in an execrable condition, with mud, though the town council has several thousand yards of gravel stacked, waiting use.

BURRANGANG, Thursday.

The Orange demonstration passed off successfully last night. A large number sat down to dinner. Speeches were delivered by the Rev. David Smith, and Mr. John Fraser.

CASSILINA, Thursday.

At the local land office to-day, applications were lodged for 440 acres as conditional purchases, and 800 acres as conditional leases.

The land board will sit at Murrumbidgee on the 28th and 29th July, and have from the list to 4th August. There are a number of cases to be dealt with at both places for this land district.

COOTAMUNDRA, Thursday.

There is a good deal of investment in landed property in this district. Crown lots sold here realized fairly good prices.

The borough council is raising a loan of £1000 by public tender.

DRAKE, Thursday.

It has been raining here incessantly since Tuesday.

The erection of the new courthouse at a standstill, awaiting the arrival of material from England.

The land board returned from Nyngan yesterday, and left this morning for Gulgong, where they hold a court to-morrow, and go on to Coonamble to hold a court there on Monday.

INVERELL, Thursday.

Mr. Graham, police magistrate of Tenterden, arrived here and proceeded to Tunga to-day, under instructions from the Minister of Justice, to hold an inquiry with reference to a case, lately tried and dismissed, against ex-Constable Preston, of the metropolitan force, who was charged with abduction. Superintendent Ordridge, who was present to watch proceedings on behalf of the local police officer, is charged with using undue influence in the case.

KEMPSEY, Thursday.

The annual meeting of the Macleay Agricultural Association was held in the Jubilee Hall to-day. The attendance was large. In consequence of the rain, Mr. O. O. Danger was elected President, Messrs. Robert Campbell, P. C. Hill, J. P. and W. D. Scott, J. P., vice-presidents. The meeting was adjourned for three weeks to receive the financial statement and to alter the by-laws.

A few points of rain fell last night, but this morning dawned clear and bright, and the weather to-day was beautiful. Travelling has not been so disagreeable in this district for years past, owing to the soft condition of the roads.

The Kiama Agricultural Association has received from the Director of the Botanic Gardens 300 ornamental trees for planting the new show ground, and a committee has been appointed for that purpose. The work of planting the trees will be commenced at once, the time being most favourable for the purpose.

NEW ZEALAND.

Mr. Samuel Charles, M.L.C., was in town to-day awaiting to-morrow's arbitration proceedings. Mr. Charles asks £2500 for the land resumed, but the Government valuation is under £1700.

LISMORE, Thursday.

The Colonial Sugar Company, Broadwater, have engaged 400 hands, this number being all that are required. There were about 250 men over the number required.

MUSWELLBROOK, Thursday.

Mr. John Hudson Key, of Bengalla, one of the oldest residents of the Hunter, died this afternoon.

NEWCASTLE, Thursday.

The shipping changes from Newcastle to Melbourne, with a cargo of new season's wool, put in for coal this morning. A large number of boats were engaged, and the cargo was shipped in a few hours.

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PROTEST AGAINST IRISH COERCION.

(BY TELEGRAPH.)
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A fatal accident occurred at the Pines, near Newcastle, on Monday. A man named Harry Underwood was working below where some old workings were being cleaned up, and a large quantity of stone and mullock slipped, striking him on the head, and killing him instantly. It took the men all day and all night till 8 o'clock on Tuesday to extricate him. Meanwhile he continued to work, and the stone and mullock continued to slip, and the river is rising. The roads are impassable. Cane-cutting is entirely suspended for the present, and it will be some time before the cane can be cut. The weather is so bad that it is impossible to cut the cane until the weather has taken up. The Broadwater mill will work day and night when it does commence. The cane crops on the Tweed River are said to average 70 tons to the acre, and show good density. The sugar yield is also satisfactory.

THE HAMILTON COMMUNGE.

(BY TELEGRAPH.)
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.)

A meeting of residents on the Hamilton Communge was held last night. Mr. Michael Yates was chairman. The result of the late detention was reported. The chairman expressed the opinion that the Communge was a very valuable institution, and the working-men's friend to willingly incur the communge residents. Mr. Charles Drake read a document giving a history of the first detention of the Communge. The document was read by Mr. Yates, and was well received. The meeting then closed.

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